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## TO ALL PARTIES AND TO THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT on May 16, 2011, at 3:00 p.m. or as soon as counsel may be heard in Courtroom 10C of the above-referenced Court, located at 411 West Fourth Street, Room 1053, Santa Ana, California 92701, Defendants Toyota Motor Corporation and Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. (collectively, "Toyota"), will and hereby do respectfully move, for this Court to issue a choice-of-law determination as to all Economic Loss actions and parties consolidated in this MDL as required by Klaxon Co. v. Stentor Electric Manufacturing Co., 313 U.S. 487 (1941), Van Dusen v. Barrack, 376 U.S. 612 (1964), and In re Nucorp Energy Sec. Litig., 772 F.2d 1486, 1492 (9th Cir. 1985) (holding that the MDL court must apply the choice-of-law rules of the state where the claims were originally filed before they were transferred to California by the JPML). More specifically, Toyota moves the Court to apply the choice-of-law rules of each of the following transferor jurisdictions to determine the substantive law applicable to each and every claim of each and every putative class member in this consolidated MDL:

1. Harding v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00552 (formerly 10-cv-00100) (M.D. Ala.)

2. Stoller v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00565 (formerly 4:10-cv-00024) (M.D. Ga.)

3. Laird v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00566 (3:10-cv-00022) (S.D. Ga.)

4. Schlegel v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-00729 (formerly 1:10-cv-00694) (N.D. Ga.)

5. Drake v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00730 (formerly 1:10-cv-01231) (N.D. Ga.).

6. Firgon v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00570 (formerly 2:10-cv-02075) (D. Kan.)

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1	21. Toledo v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00737 (formerly 1:10-cv		
2	01599) (N.D. III.)		
3	22. Walls v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00740 (formerly 3:10-cv		
4	00215) (S.D. III.)		
5	23. Diaz v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00738 (formerly 1:10-cv		
6	01931) (N.D. III.)		
7	24. Rifken v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00739		
8	(formerly 1:10-cv-02507) (N.D. III.)		
9	25. Carlson v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00733 (formerly 4:10		
10	cv-00083) (S.D. Iowa)		
11	26. Beard v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00732 (formerly 3:10-cv-		
12	00033) (S.D. Iowa)		
13	27. Karjala v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00752 (formerly 0:10-		
14	cv-00766) (D. Minn.)		
15	28. Weyer v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00753		
16	(formerly 0:10-cv-00801) (D. Minn.)		
17	29. Wedul v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00754		
18	(formerly 0:10-cv-00943) (D. Minn.)		
19	30. Bell v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00755		
20	(formerly 0:10-cv-00944) (D. Minn.)		
21	31. Oliver v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00586		
22	(formerly 0:10-cv-00942) (D. Minn.)		
23	32. Hauck v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00757 (formerly 0:10-cv-		
24	01924) (D. Minn.)		
25	33. Simmons v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00589 (formerly 3:10-		
26	cv-00009) (N.D. Miss.)		
27	34. Mitchell v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00591		
28	(formerly 3:10-cv-00104) (S.D. Miss.)		
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1	35. Hulsen v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00588 (formerly 4:10-cv		
2	00103) (W.D. Mo.)		
3	36. O'Leary v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-00759		
4	(formerly 10-cv-00350) (E.D. Mo.)		
5	37. Ridenour v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00766		
6	(formerly 4:10-cv-00365) (E.D. Mo.)		
7	38. Zhang v. Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North Americ		
8	Inc., et al. No. 8:10-cv-00761 (formerly 4:10-cv-00238) (W.D. Mo.)		
9	39. Jerry Baker Auto Sales, LLC v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al.		
10	No. 8:10-cv-00587 (formerly 2:10-cv-04025) (W.D. Mo.)		
11	40. Quintana v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-ev-00762 (formerly 1:10		
12	cv-00020) (D. Mont.)		
13	41. Matsis v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-01380 (formerly 2:10-cv-		
14	01076) (D. Nev.)		
15	42. Gonzalez v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00592		
16	(formerly 3:10-cv-00595) (D.N.J.)		
17	43. Colaberdino v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-		
18	00593 (formerly 3:10-cv-00672) (D.N.J.)		
19	44. Guokas v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00595 (formerly 3:10-		
20	cv-00778) (D.N.J.)		
21	45. Abken v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00594		
22	(formerly 3:10-cv-00763) (D.N.J.)		
23	46. Coslop, IV v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00767 (formerly		
24	3:10-cv-01623) (D.N.J.)		
25	47. Gordon v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00596		
26	(formerly 3:10-cv-00914) (D.N.J.)		
27	48. Tiboni v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-00768 (formerly		
28	3:10-cv-01786) (D.N.J.)		
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(formerly 4:10-cv-00090) (E.D. Ark.)

1	119. Sander v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00603		
2	(formerly 1:10-cv-01111) (S.D.N.Y.)		
3	120. DuBois v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-01312		
4	(formerly 1:10-cv-00779) (E.D.N.Y.)		
5	121. Gally v. Toyota Motor Co. d/b/a Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et		
6	al., No. 8:10-cv-00655 (formerly 1:10-cv-00854) (E.D.N.Y.)		
7	122. Boughner v. Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North		
8	America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00801 (formerly 2:10-cv-01361) (E.D.N.Y.)		
9	123. Rosenberg v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00772 (formerly		
10	2:10-cv-01272) (E.D.N.Y.)		
11	124. Vanagas v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-00613		
12	(formerly 3:10-cv-00293) (D. Or.)		
13	125. McCoy v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-00614 (formerly		
14	3:10-cv-00294) (D. Or.)		
15	126. Fahey v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00615 (formerly 3:10-cv-		
16	00297) (D. Or.)		
17	127. Gumble v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00617 (formerly 5:10-		
18	cv-00521) (E.D. Pa.)		
19	128. Greisiger v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00619		
20	(5:10-cv-00554) (E.D. Pa.)		
21	129. Kirkpatrick v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-		
22	00776 (formerly 2:10-cv-00994) (E.D. Pa.)		
23	130. Bonacci v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00766 (formerly 8:10-		
24	cv-00149) (D. Neb.)		
25	131. Grier v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-00764 (formerly		
26	3:10-cv-00176) (W.D.N.C.)		
27	132. Goodwin v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-01136		
28	(formerly 1:10-cv-00514) (E.D. Va.)		

133. Ruf v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-00756 (formerly 1 0:10-cv-01694) (D. Minn.) 2 3 134. O'Rourke v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-01544 4 (formerly 3:10-cv-00124) (S.D. Ohio) 135. Harbor v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00775 5 6 (formerly 3:10-cv-00144) (S.D. Ohio) 136. Meeks v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-01374 (formerly 1:10-cv-00364) (S.D. Ohio) 8 137. Buccier v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-01372 (formerly 9 1:10-cv-01251) (N.D. Ohio) 10 138. Young v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-01095 (formerly 3:10-cv-11 12 00450) (M.D. Tenn.) 139. Johnson v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00575 13 14 (formerly 2:10-cv-00622) (E.D. La.) 140. Gaspard v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00581 15 (formerly 1:10-cv-00179) (W.D. La.) 16 141. Boudoin v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00747 17 18 (formerly 1:10-cv-00421) (W.D. La.) 142. Brock v. Toyota Motor North America, Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00468 19 (formerly 2:10-cv-00281) (E.D. La.) 20 143. Frederickson v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:10-cv-21 00745 (formerly 2:10-cv-00892) (E.D. La.) 22 144. LaRocca's Auto Sales, Inc. v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 23 8:10-cv-00746 (formerly 2:10-cv-00893) (E.D. La.) 24 145. Roberge v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-01769 25 26 (formerly 1:10-cv-11158) (D. Mass.) 146. Schott v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., et al., No. 8:11-cv-00104 27 28 (formerly 1:10-cv-09188) (S.D.N.Y.)

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147. Gedid v. Toyota Motor Co., et al., No. 8:10-cv-00777 (formerly 2:10-cv-00407) (W.D. Pa.)

148. Markowitz v. Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc., No. 8:10-cv-01545 (formerly 2:10-cv-00644) (W.D. Pa.)

Plaintiffs' motion as to "Certain Economic Loss Plaintiffs" improperly fails to address all of the Economic Loss actions transferred to this MDL that were filed outside of California. Instead, Plaintiffs have selected a small subset of purported class representatives (67 in total) who originally filed their claims in California, and argue that their interests should govern the law as to all of the 205 Economic Loss cases that have been transferred to this MDL Court, despite the fact that only 57 such actions have been transferred from California courts. The 148 Economic Loss actions filed outside of California cannot be ignored, and a determination should be made as to all Economic Loss actions together. Plaintiffs' approach to choice-of-law seeks to have the fact of this MDL alter substantive rights and is contrary to established Supreme Court precedent and federal authority. As such, Toyota brings the instant motion for a choice-of-law determination as to all Economic Loss actions in the MDL, including those filed outside of California. To do otherwise would not only contradict federal precedent, but also lead to piecemeal litigation and inefficiency. Toyota simply asks to have a choice-of-law determination made for all and not in a piecemeal fashion.

Plaintiffs' motion for a choice-of-law determination disregards the Court's obligation to analyze the laws of each action in the MDL, regardless of whether the action was filed in California. See In re Nucorp Energy Sec. Litig., 772 F.2d 1486, 1492 (9th Cir. 1985) (holding that the MDL court must apply the choice-of-law rules of the state where the claims were originally filed before they were transferred to California by the JPML); In re DirecTV Early Cancellation Litig., 738 F. Supp. 2d 1062, 1077 (C.D. Cal. 2010) (following Nucorp and holding that the MDL court must apply the choice-of-law rules of each plaintiff's original forum state, and concluding

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that different choice-of-law rules applied). This approach is not only inappropriate; it fails to comply with Due Process. In re TFT-LCD (Flat Panel) Antitrust Litig., 2010

U.S. Dist. LEXIS 65023, 13-14 (N.D. Cal. June 28, 2010) ("Due Process requires the

court to apply an individualized choice-of-law analysis to each plaintiff's claims ....")

Consideration of every individual action in the MDL is imperative to the Court's choice-of-law determination. In fact, the jurisdiction of the transferor court of each individual action is considered a forum state jurisdiction necessitating an individualized choice-of-law determination. See In re ConAgra Peanut Butter Prods. Liab. Litig., 251 F.R.D. 689, 693 (N.D. Ga. 2008); see also, In re Ford Motor Co. Ignition Switch Prods. Liab. Litig., 174 F.R.D. 332, 348 (D.N.J. 1997) ("In diversity cases transferred under the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation . . . this court is to apply the choice-of-law rules of the transferor courts as to those incoming cases, as well as the forum's choice-of-law rule for the cases originating here . . . .") (citations omitted).

For the foregoing reasons, along with those outlined in the corresponding memorandum of points and authorities, supporting declarations, and other documents attached in support, Toyota respectfully requests that the Court grant its cross-motion and make a choice-of-law determination for all Economic Loss actions in the MDL by applying the choice-of-law rules of each of the transferor jurisdictions.

This motion is based on this Cross-Notice, the complete files and records in this case, and such further evidence as may be presented at or prior to the hearing of the motion.

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1 PROOF OF SERVICE 2 I, Laura Olagues, declare: 3 I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. My business address is c/o Alston & Bird LLP, 333 South Hope Street, Sixteenth Floor, Los Angeles, California 90071. I 4 am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the action in which this service is 5 made. On April 1, 2011, I served the document(s) described as TOYOTA DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF CROSS-MOTION AND CROSS-MOTION FOR CHOICE-OF-LAW DETERMINATION AS TO ALL ECONOMIC LOSS CASES 6 AND PLAINTIFFS BEFORE THIS COURT on the interested parties in this action by enclosing the document(s) in a sealed envelope addressed as follows: 9 SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST 10 BY UPS NEXT DAY AIR I deposited such envelope in a facility regularly maintained by UPS with delivery fees fully provided for or delivered the envelope to a courier or driver UPS authorized to receive documents at Alston × 11 & Bird LLP, 333 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, California 90071 with 12 delivery fees fully provided for. 13 I caused such documents to be delivered via electronic 14 transmission to the offices of the addressee(s) at the e-mail listed in the court's electronic filing system. 15 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and [Federal] × 16 correct. 17 Executed on April 1, 2011, at Los Angeles, California. 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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